



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Department of Labor and Industries

Subject of possible rule making: Chapter 296-15 WAC Workers' Compensation Self Insurance Rules and Regulations

This chapter governs employers who are permitted to self-insure their workers' compensation obligation pursuant to Title 51 RCW. This filing includes modifications to existing sections regarding requirements for department-approved claims administrators.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 51.04.020, 51.14.020, 51.32.190, 51.14.090, and 51.14.095

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

At the request of the self-insured community, the department has agreed to evaluate the need for, and potentially implement, a continuing education model in place of, or in conjunction with, the current requirements for recertification of department-approved claims administrators.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

No other state, local or federal agency regulates this subject.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

☐ Negotiated rule making

☐ Pilot rule making

☐ Agency study

☒ Other (describe) Labor and Industries will work with representatives of the labor and self-insured employer communities on all changes to the self insurance regulations. A public hearing will be held in Tumwater after the proposal is filed.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

Interested parties may participate by contacting:

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